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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

HAIR *et al.*

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Group Art Unit: 2873

Appln. No: 09/729,853

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Examiner: Lester, E.

Filing Date: March 3, 1999 <sup>2</sup>

Title: OPTICAL VEND-SENSING SYSTEM  
FOR CONTROL OF VENDING MACHINE

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February 21, 2003

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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(Amended) A vending machine, comprising:

a transparent front;

a dispensing mechanism configured to perform vending operations in order

to dispense a product selected by a consumer;

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Atty. Dkt. No.: TK338

In re Patent Application of:  
HAIR III, James et al.

Group Art 2873  
Unit:  
Examiner: Lester, E.

Appln. No.: 09/729,853

Filed: December 6, 2000

Title: OPTICAL VEND-SENSING SYSTEM FOR CONTROL OF VENDING  
MACHINE

Date: February 21, 2003

**REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the attachments hereto. The signature below is treated as the signature to the attachments in the absence of a signature thereto.

**FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

				Large/Small Entity	
1. Total Effective Claims		Minus # Paid For =		X \$18/\$9	+
2. Independent Claims		Minus # Paid For =		X \$84/\$42	+
3. If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave this line blank if this is an <u>reissue</u> application)				\$280/\$140	+
4. <b>Original due date: November 21, 2002</b>					
5. <b>Petition is hereby made to extend the <u>original</u> due date to</b> (1 mo)				\$110/\$55 =	+465.00
cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee (2 mos)				\$410/\$205 =	
is attached (3 mos)				\$930/\$465 =	
				\$1450/\$725 =	
6. <b>Petition Fee Rule 17(p)</b>				\$180	+180.00
7. <b>Other Fee for</b>					+
8. <b>Total Fee Enclosed:</b>					<b>\$645.00</b>

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